



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Hiroyuki Yonekawa, et al.	Examiner:	David A. Redding
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121


Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2006, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.121, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendment for entry in the above-identified case.

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